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In re application of:

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DETERMINING THE REFRACTIVE INDEX OF TRANSPARENT OR

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LAYERS

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Sir:

Applicants request entry of the following amendment prior to the examination of the aboveidentified application:

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An **Abstract** is attached following the last page of this Preliminary Amendment.